

## **UF-NRE Scholarship Program**

The goal of this proposal is to establish an effective fellowship program at the University of Florida (UF) for students pursuing a graduate education in Nuclear Engineering, Health Physics, and Radiochemistry. This Program will be coordinated by the Nuclear & Radiological Engineering (NRE) Department which offers graduate studies in Nuclear Engineering, Medical Physics, and Health Medical Physics. NRE has one of the largest graduate programs in the United States with 83 current students. Over 60% of graduate students are working on their PhD degrees, over 80% are US citizens, over 30% are female, and over 14% are minority.

The existing 5-member NRE's Scholarship & Fellowship Committee (SFC) will coordinate different functions including advertisement, and recruitment and selection of the fellows. The selection process will be conducted using a set of parameters with appropriate weighting for consistency and transparency. Annually, during the graduate recruitment season, January to April, SFC will select new fellows from a pool of new applicants and existing graduate students.